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Milford Water Company

Proposed Changes

The Milford Fire Department has reviewed the proposed changes to the Milford Water Company Rules and Regulation (M.D.T.E. NO. 18) and offers the following comments for consideration.

8. GENERAL

(a) Add a second sentence before (1)"However that no fire protection system (fire hydrant, standpipe system or fire sprinkler system) may be disconnected without the written approval of the Milford Fire Chief" (reference MGL c148 s27A)

9. PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS

(c) Add "....and Fire Department training & testing" after the extinguishing of fires.

ADD NEW SUBSECTIONS:

- (f) All fire hydrants shall be tested, inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 25 at the company's expense.
- (g) All fire hydrants on public property (roads, schools, other town sites) shall be marked with hydrant marking flags to clearly identify the location of fire hydrants at the company's expense.
- (h) The company shall conduct flow tests and shall mark all hydrants in accordance with NFPA 291

10. PRIVATE FIRE SERVICE

(g) ADD NEW LAST SENTENCE:
All seals shall be approved by the Milford Fire Department prior to installation.

14 PRESSURE AND CONTINUITY OF SUPPLY

ADD:

(d) The Company shall maintain adequate emergency generator and pumping capability necessary to maintain full service to the community during power failures. This shall include pumping and filtration capacity.

Respectfully,

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